

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1, 7, 10, 11, 17, 20, 21, 27, and 30 as follows:

1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) Apparatus for processing image data comprising:  
\_\_\_\_\_storage means for storing instructions[[,]];   
\_\_\_\_\_memory means for storing said instructions during execution and for storing image data[[,]];   
\_\_\_\_\_processing means for performing image processing in which said image data is processed to modify colour values[[,]]; and   
\_\_\_\_\_display means for facilitating user interaction with said image processing, wherein  
said processing means is configured ~~such that~~ wherein, in response to said instructions, said image data is processed by the steps of:  
identifying, ~~through input from a user,~~ a colour vector and a luminance range for said colour vector, wherein said luminance range is identified by the user independently from the identifying of the colour vector;  
defining a colour vector function in response to said ~~identification values~~ identifying; and  
modifying colours in response to said luminance ~~values range~~ range with reference to said colour vector function.
2. (ORIGINAL) Apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said colour vector function is defined by points on curves.
3. (ORIGINAL) Apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said colour vector function is animated.
4. (ORIGINAL) Apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said colour vector function is defined by applying said identified colour vector to a previously defined colour vector function.
5. (ORIGINAL) Apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said colour vector function is expressed as a look up table addressable by luminance values of image colour data.

6. (ORIGINAL) Apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said colour vector function defines red, green and blue displacements with reference to barycentric co-ordinates.

7. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) Apparatus according to claim 1, wherein ~~[[a]]~~the user performs operations to control said image processing with reference to a graphical user interface presented on a monitor, said interface including a plurality of widgets for facilitating user communication with said processes for modifying colour values.

8. (ORIGINAL) Apparatus according to claim 7, wherein said identification of a colour vector is performed with reference to a user input of co-ordinates from a two-dimensional trackball widget, in which the dimensions controllable from said trackball are dimensions of pure colour.

9. (ORIGINAL) Apparatus according to claim 7, wherein said colour vector is displayed as a graph having three lines, one for each of red, green and blue colour components, said graph having a first axis indicative of colour vector and a second axis of luminance.

10. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) Apparatus for processing image data comprising:  
\_\_\_\_\_storage means storing instructions[[,]];  
\_\_\_\_\_memory means for storing said instructions during execution and image data[[,]];  
\_\_\_\_\_processing means for performing image processing in which said image data may be processed to modify colour values[[,]]; and  
\_\_\_\_\_monitor means for facilitating user interaction with said image processing, wherein:  
said processing means is configured ~~such that~~wherein, in response to said instructions, said image data is processed by a first step of  
initialising a colour vector function, in which colour vector is a function of luminance;  
and then repeated steps of:  
identifying, through input from a user, a colour vector and a luminance range for said colour vector, wherein said luminance range is identified by the user independently from the identifying of the colour vector;  
updating said colour vector function with said identification;

processing source image data to identify luminance values;  
modifying source image colour in response to said identified source luminance values with reference to said colour vector function; and  
previewing said modified source image.

11. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method of processing image data in an image processing system, ~~wherein the image processing system comprises~~ including memory means for storing instructions and image data, processing means for performing image processing in which said image data is processed to modify colour values,

said instructions defining colour modifying operations to be performed by said processing means to process said image data, wherein said operations ~~include~~comprise:

identifying, through input from a user, a colour vector and a luminance range for said colour vector, wherein the luminance range is identified by the user independently from the identifying of the colour vector;

defining a colour vector function in response to said identification, in which colour vector is a function of luminance;

processing source image data to identify luminance values; and

modifying colours in response to said luminance values with reference to said colour vector function.

12. (ORIGINAL) A method according to claim 11, wherein said colour vector function is defined by points on curves.

13. (ORIGINAL) A method according to claim 11, wherein said colour vector function is animated.

14. (ORIGINAL) A method according to claim 11, wherein said colour vector function is defined by applying said identified colour vector to a previously defined colour vector function.

15. (ORIGINAL) A method according to claim 11, wherein said colour vector function is expressed as a look up table addressable by luminance values of image colour data.

16. (ORIGINAL) A method according to claim 11, wherein said colour vector function defines red, green and blue displacements with reference to barycentric co-ordinates.

17. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method according to claim 11, wherein ~~[[a]]~~ the user performs operations to control said image processing with reference to a graphical user interface presented on a monitor, said interface including a plurality of widgets for facilitating user communication with said processes for modifying colour values.

18. (ORIGINAL) A method according to claim 17, wherein said identification of a colour vector is performed with reference to a user input of co-ordinates from a two-dimensional trackball widget, in which the dimensions controllable from said trackball are dimensions of pure colour.

19. (ORIGINAL) A method according to claim 17, wherein said colour vector is displayed as a graph having three lines, one for each of red, green and blue colour components, said graph having a first axis indicative of colour vector and a second axis of luminance.

20. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method of processing image data in an image processing system, wherein the image processing system including comprises memory means for storing instructions and image data, processing means for performing image processing in which said image data is processed to modify colour values,

said instructions defining colour modifying operations to be performed by said processing means to process said image data, wherein said operations include a first step of:

initialising a colour vector function, in which colour vector is a function of luminance;

and then repeated steps of:

identifying, through input from a user, a colour vector and a luminance range for said colour vector, wherein the luminance range is identified by the user independently from the identifying of the colour vector;

updating said colour vector function with said identification;  
processing source image data to identify luminance values;  
modifying source image colour in response to said identified source luminance values with reference to said colour vector function; and previewing said modified source image.

21. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A computer-readable medium having computer-readable instructions executable by a computer configurable for image processing, said computer ~~including comprising~~ memory means for storing said instructions and image data, processing means for performing image processing in which said image data is processed to modify colour values,

said instructions defining operations to be performed by said processing means to process said image data, wherein said operations ~~include~~comprise:

identifying, through input from a user, a colour vector and a luminance range for said colour vector, wherein the luminance range is identified by the user independently from the identifying of the colour vector;

defining a colour vector function in response to said identification, in which colour vector is a function of luminance;

processing source image data to identify luminance values; and

modifying colours in response to said luminance values with reference to said colour vector function.

22. (ORIGINAL) A computer-readable medium according to claim 21, wherein said colour vector function is defined by points on curves.

23. (ORIGINAL) A computer-readable medium according to claim 21, wherein said colour vector function is maintained.

24. (ORIGINAL) A computer-readable medium according to claim 21, wherein said colour vector function is defined by applying said identified colour vector to a previously defined colour vector function.

25. (ORIGINAL) A computer-readable medium according to claim 21, wherein said colour vector function is expressed as a look up table addressable by luminance values of image colour data.

26. (ORIGINAL) A computer-readable medium according to claim 21, wherein said colour vector function defines red, green and blue displacements with reference to barycentric co-ordinates.

27. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A computer-readable medium according to claim 21, wherein ~~[[a]]~~the user performs operations to control said image processing with reference to a graphical user interface presented on a monitor, said interface including a plurality of widgets for facilitating user communication with said processes for modifying colour values.

28. (ORIGINAL) A computer-readable medium according to claim 27, wherein said identification of a colour vector is performed with reference to a user input of co-ordinates from a two-dimensional trackball widget, in which the dimensions controllable from said trackball are dimensions of pure colour.

29. (ORIGINAL) A computer-readable medium according to claim 27, wherein said colour vector is displayed as a graph having three lines, one for each of red, green and blue colour components, said graph having a first axis indicative of colour vector and a second axis of luminance.

30. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A computer-readable medium having computer-readable instructions executable by a computer configurable for image processing, said computer ~~including comprising~~ memory means for storing said instructions and image data, processing means for performing image processing in which said image data is processed to modify colour values, said instructions defining operations to be performed by said processing means to process said image data, wherein said operations include a first step of:  
initialising a colour vector function, in which colour vector is a function of luminance;  
and then repeated steps of:

identifying, through input from a user, a colour vector and a luminance range for said colour vector, wherein said luminance range is identified by the user independently from the identifying of the colour vector;

updating said colour vector function with said identification;  
processing source image data to identify luminance values;  
modifying source image colour in response to said identified source luminance values with reference to said colour vector function; and  
previewing said modified source image.